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Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) of 14 May 1976 and General Assembly decision 42/450 of 17 December 1987, the members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination are nominated by the Economic and Social Council and elected by the General Assembly.

2. The membership of the Committee in 1998 is as follows (see General Assembly decisions 52/306 A and B of 22 October and 18 December 1997, respectively):

Argentina,** Austria,** Bahamas,*** Brazil,** Cameroon,** China,* Congo,** Democratic Republic of the Congo,* Egypt,* France,*** Germany,** Indonesia,** Iran (Islamic Republic of),** Italy,** Japan,* Mexico,*** Nicaragua,** Nigeria,** Pakistan,** Poland,** Republic of Korea,* Romania,** Russian Federation,*** Thailand,** Togo,* Trinidad and Tobago,** Uganda,*** Ukraine,** United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,** United States of America,*** Uruguay,* Zambia*** and Zimbabwe.**

3. The General Assembly, at its fifty-third session, will therefore be called upon to elect seven members, on the nomination of the Economic and Social Council, to fill the vacancies in the Committee that will occur on 31 December 1998 upon the expiration of the terms of office of the following members: China, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Japan, Republic of Korea, Togo and Uruguay. In accordance with General Assembly decision 42/450, the vacancies are to be filled as follows:

* Term of office expires on 31 December 1998.
** Term of office expires on 31 December 1999.
*** Term of office expires on 31 December 2000.

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(a) Three members from African States;

(b) Three members from Asian States;

(c) One member from Latin American and Caribbean States.

4. By its decision 1998/202 B, the Economic and Social Council nominated the following Member States for election by the General Assembly at its fifty-third session, for a term of three years, beginning on 1 January 1999:[1]

(a) *African States* (three vacancies):[2] Benin, Egypt;

(b) *Asian States* (three vacancies): China, Japan, Republic of Korea;

(c) *Latin American and Caribbean States* (one vacancy): Uruguay.

[1] The Council had previously postponed to a future session the nomination of one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999.

[2] The Council postponed to a future session the nomination of one member from African States for a term of three years, beginning on 1 January 1999.